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"A must when visiting the city."

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I have visited here so many times now and I always see something new. If you are a first time visitor I suggest you get a map of the Bazaar and decide what you want to see first. There are sections which specialize in leather, metals, Jewellery, gold, ceramics, clothes etc. It is such a big place it's easy to get lost so make sure you agree a meeting place if you are with a group of people. Each gate or entrance has a number so that you know where you enter but it can be confusing once inside. Remember the traders are there to sell ... Don't be put off if they are trying to get you into their shops. Just politely say no if you are not interested, or don't make eye contact with them. Only start bartering for something when you know you want to buy it - because it is considered bad manners to agree a price and then not go ahead with a purchase. You will see many people wheeling suitcases That's because they don't want to carry ALL their purchases. There is something for everyone here. Amazing place for photographers - you will get so many opportunities to take fantastic pictures. If you want to explore or even walk on the rooftops and actually learn more about the history and workings of this amazing trading place...then contact a superb guide called Monica Fritz (just Google her) she knows the Place like the back of her hand and she can show you so much that you will never see on your own. Monica is also a professional photographer so she will show you where to take the best pictures. Enjoy It's a fantastic experience, but allow yourself time to really explore. It's easy to reach via tram, taxi or on foot. I suggest you Go the toilet before you start exploring (nice restaurants are the best places to go for rest rooms).

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Helpful?

Thank Rosie A

Report

Basilica Cistern
Sultanahmet District
Suleymaniye Mosque
Blue Mosque
Topkapi Palace
Bosphorus Strait
Kariye Museum (The Chora Church)
Rustem Pasha Mosque
Rahmi M. Koc Museum
Dolmabahce Palace
Sultanahmet Square
Gulhane Park
Kucuk Ayasofya Camii (Church of the Saints Sergius and Bacchus)
Eyup Sultan Mosque (Eyup Sultan Camii)
Istanbul Modern Museum
Istanbul Archaeological Museums
Emirgan Park
Sakip Sabanci Museum

